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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of : Case AA432F  
Gray, et al.. : Confirmation No. 5838  
Serial No. 10/009,087 : Group Art Unit 1615  
Filed November 8, 2001 : Examiner S. L. Howard  
For ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH SKIN :  
CARE COMPOSITION :  
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2, 4, 5 and 8.

A<sup>1</sup>

2. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein the preferential acquisition zone is provided with the skin care composition of not greater than 20 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

A<sup>2</sup>

4. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein the skin care composition is provided on the topsheet of the preferential acquisition zone, wherein the acquisition rate of the portion of the topsheet which is provided with the skin care composition is not less than 70 % of the topsheet before the skin care composition is applied.

5. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein at least a portion of the skin care zone is provided with a skin care composition of between 0.1 g/m<sup>2</sup> and 100 g/m<sup>2</sup>.